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Mr. Paul Thayer
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California State Lands Commission
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Sacramento, CA 95825

RE: DEIR Long Wharf Lease

Dear Mr. Thayer,

I am writing in support of TRAC, the Trails for Richmond Action Committee, who hope to have their concerns included in the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) in time for the April 13 2006 meeting of the State Lands Commission.

TRAC is very concerned that Chevron's lands supporting Long Wharf operations are impediments to closing the Bay Trail gap connecting Richmond's spine Bay Trail with Point Molate and the rest of the Point San Pablo Peninsula as well as with the Richmond/San Rafael Bridge. The two critical points include:

- Need for public access easements for a two-way, multi-use Class I Bay Trail segments connecting Tewksbury Avenue with the existing trail on the south side of the Richmond/San Rafael Bridge toll plaza area and the north side of I-580 corridor with the City of Richmond's former Point Molate Naval Fuel Depot via the planned shoreline Bay Trail route.
- Need for funds to design, permit and build the Option 2 Bay Trail in the 7/31/01 Questa Feasibility Study of Bay Trail Routes to the Point San Pablo Peninsula.

I can understand that Chevron will continue to have issues surrounding the security of their operations, and I am hopeful interested parties can work collaboratively to address TRAC's concerns.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

DON PERATA

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Please refer to responses 3-1 through 3-15.